



*A flag flies at half staff on the Capitol.*

In the aftermath of the tragic Arizona shooting -- which left Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords (D-AZ) critically injured, six dead, and several others wounded -- Congresswoman McCollum invited Minnesotans to join the rest of the nation in offering sympathy and support.

Soon after the attacks, Congresswoman McCollum asked residents from Minnesota's Fourth Congressional District to [write messages of support, solidarity, and condolences](#) to Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and everyone affected by the deadly shootings in Arizona. Messages will be delivered to Congresswoman Giffords' office. Visitors also had the option to have their messages entered into the Congressional Record.

A colleague and friend of Congresswoman Giffords, Congresswoman McCollum immediately [expressed her grief and concern](#) for the victims and their families immediately after the shooting. On the floor of the House of Representatives, Congresswoman McCollum also joined other Members of Congress in [honoring the victims of this violent act](#).

Congresswoman McCollum is still welcoming residents of Minnesota's Fourth Congressional District to [offer the messages of support](#).